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2012 Traffic Division Report

In 2012, the Police Department investigated a total of 1,246 automobile crashes, which resulted in an increase from 2011 of 39 total crashes or 3%. Personal Injury crashes also increased slightly in 2012 as we investigated 157 personal injury crashes, an increase of 22 or 16% compared to 2011. Alcohol related crashes decreased by one from the previous year for a total of 36 crashes investigated. Although the total number of crashes investigated in 2012 is up from the previous year, a more global look at our crash history indicates that 2012 ranks 4th best in the past decade for total crashes with the past three years being the lowest in this ten year history.

The department participated in the Operation Pull Over Awareness Program, which is funded by the Governor's Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving. Officers worked a total of 504 hours of extra patrol focusing enforcement efforts on aggressive driving, intoxicated drivers, and seatbelt awareness and enforcement. During these extra patrol hours, officers made 646 traffic stops that resulted in 36 arrests for motorists found to be operating under the influence of alcohol or drugs. As a department in 2012, a total of 142 arrests were made for Operating While Intoxicated, which is a decrease of 39 or 21% from 2011. This is the second consecutive year we have experienced a decrease in the number of arrests in this area. Our Department conducted one Sobriety Checkpoint during the year that included officers from all the local agencies.

In 2013, the department will continue to concentrate our enforcement efforts on School Zone Safety, and safe routes to school for the children of our community. We will continue to partner with Purdue University and respond to traffic and safety concerns in the campus community. As a department we will respond to citizen's concerns about traffic safety issues and use all department resources to address community concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Leroux".

Chris Leroux
Deputy Chief

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT DIVISION

YEAR END REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2012

CRASH COMPARISON FOR 2011 & 2012 (Year to Date Figures)

	2011	2012	UP	DOWN	%
TOTAL	1207	1246	39		3%
PD UNDER 1,000.00	218	198		20	9%
PROPERTY DAMAGE	671	726	55		8%
PERSONAL INJURY	135	157	22		16%
PERSONS INJURED	164	193	29		18%
FATALITY	0	0			0%
PERSONS KILLED	0	0			0%
ALCOHOL RELATED	37	36		1	3%

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NOTE: A total of one hundred sixty-five Hit & Run crashes have been included in the Total Crashes.

CRASH SUMMARY

2002 TO 2012

Crash Type	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total	1,433	1,457	1,442	1,383	1,363	1,322	1,343	1,195	1,226	1,207	1,246
PD Under \$1,000	135	187	296	267	245	259	246	223	239	218	198
Property Damage	928	935	779	762	759	705	753	642	678	671	726
Personal Injury	169	145	177	159	167	156	158	148	154	135	157
Person Injured	215	184	234	196	215	199	195	176	193	164	193
Fatality	0	0	2	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
Person Killed	0	0	2	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
Alcohol Related	52	37	48	51	43	47	33	33	43	37	36
Hit & Run Crashes	201	190	188	194	190	200	186	181	155	188	165

2012 Grant Activity

OPO Grant: 235.5 total hours worked

DUI Grant: 198.5 total hours worked

Aggressive Driving: 70.5 total hours worked

TOTAL HOURS WORKED: 504.5

OPO GRANT ACTIVITY

Seatbelt Tickets Issued: 188

Arrests: 9 (3 of these for DUI)

Total Traffic: 372

DUI GRANT ACTIVITY

Seatbelt Tickets Issued: 1

Arrests: 38 (33 of these for DUI)

Total Traffic: 119

AGGRESSIVE DRIVING ACTIVITY

Seatbelt Tickets Issued: 3

Arrests: 0

Total Traffic: 155

WLPD conducted one sobriety check point during the year.

Total DUI arrests for WLPD during 2012: 142